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Report from Matanzas—Mortuary statistics.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nunez reports as follows: Week ended October 17, 1903, one bill of health was issued to a vessel bound for the United States, in good sanitary condition.

Several heavy showers have fallen in this city during the past week, washing away the accumulated dust from the streets by the surface drain, and thus contributing to improve their cleanliness, and to bring about a cooler and more pleasant temperature.

Mortuary statistics of Matanzas, for the ten days ended October 20, 1903, are herewith inclosed.

No quarantinable disease has been reported.

Mortuary statistics of Mantanzas, Cuba, for the second ten days ended October 20, 1903.

	Number of deaths.	Bertillon number.
Congenital debility	1	151
Urinary infiltration	1	124
Tuberculosis	6	27
Acute nephritis	1	119
Enteritis	1	105
Cerebral softening	1	65
Meningitis	1	61
Arterio-sclerosis	1	81
Aortic and mitral insufficiency	2	79
Tetanus, infantile	1	72
Enteritis	1	106
Total	18

Estimated population, 48,000; annual average mortality per 1,000, 13.64.

Report from Santiago—Mortuary statistics.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, October 13, 1903, as follows:

Week ended October 10, 1903:

Bills of health were issued to 7 vessels bound for the United States. No quarantinable disease has been reported.

I was glad to see by Public Health Report, Vol. XVIII, No. 39, that the Bureau has contradicted officially the reports of epidemics at this end of the island.

Inclosed I send the weekly abstract of bills of health issued and the mortuary statistics for the week.

Mortuary statistics for the week ended October 10, 1903.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.

Causes of death.	Number.
Pernicious fever	1
Malarial cachexia	1
Tubercle of lungs	3
Cancer of abdomen	1
Diabetic coma	1
Meningitis	1
Organic heart disease	2
Arterio-sclerosis	1
Bronchitis, capillary	1
Diarrhea and enteritis (under 2 years)	1
Intussusception	1
Cirrhosis, atrophic	1
Peritonitis	1
Ill-defined or unspecified	3
Total	19

Annual rate of mortality for the week, 21.71 per 1,000. Estimated population, 45,500.